

Proclamation Presented

In Recognition of the Honolulu Festival

WHEREAS, the Honolulu Festival is Hawai'i's premier cultural festival and highlights cultural diversity through a showcase of musical and cultural performances; and

WHEREAS, the Honolulu Festival has participating performers from the Pacific Rim including Japan, Philippines, Korea, Australia, Canada and places in the United States including Alaska and Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, the Honolulu Festival encourages *kama'āina* and visitors to seek knowledge about different cultures and regions in our global community, in addition to the countries mentioned above, places such as Vietnam, and China; and

WHEREAS, the Honolulu Festival will provide entertainment and cultural demonstrations which culminates in a Grand Parade through the streets of Waikiki; and

WHEREAS, the Honolulu Festival promotes goodwill; honors the culture, customs and traditions of our past; and encourages youth to perpetuate the values and principles of their ancestors; and

WHEREAS, the Honolulu Festival is attended by thousands of people every year and is celebrating the 17th year of existence;

THEREFORE I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and **I, BRIAN SCHATZ**, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim March 11-13, 2011, as

"HONOLULU FESTIVAL WEEK"

in Hawai'i, and ask the people of our State to join us in recognizing the Honolulu Festival for promoting "Pacific Harmony" and encouraging attendees to discover the cultural diversity that makes our Aloha State a special place to work, play and live.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this eleventh day of March, 2011.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

BRIAN SCHATZ

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i